

INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers welcomes you to Lake Barkley. The Corps of Engineers has been delegated authority by Congress to manage and regulate public use of the lake. As part of its management program the Corps may issue permits or licenses for floating boat docks, minor private utilities and minor underbrushing or mowing on certain public lands and waters.

Permits and licenses are issued for five years and are **nontransferable** (it is the seller's responsibility to advise potential buyers to contact the Corps of Engineers in order to apply for a new permit/license). They grant no real estate rights nor convey any private exclusive use privileges on government property. Lake Barkley's shoreline is open to use by the general public.

This guide contains helpful information on how to apply for a "Shoreline Use Permit/License".

WHO MAY APPLY

Individuals who own property adjacent to public lands zoned as "limited development" may apply for a Shoreline Use Permit/License. The renewal of existing permits will be initiated by the Corps of Engineers, therefore please keep your mailing address current.

HOW TO APPLY

Contact the Lake Barkley Resource Manager's Office at 270-362-4236 and request an appointment with the Park Ranger responsible for your area of the lake. The Ranger will meet with you at the property to discuss Shoreline Management policies and regulations. If the property is eligible for a permit you will be given an application packet to complete and return to the Resource Manager's Office. No work can be done until the Ranger reviews the plans and issues the permit/license.

The following is a list of facilities that may be permitted with associated fees.

PERMIT FEES 5 YEAR RATE*

Floating Dock-New.....	\$30.00
Floating Dock-Reissue.....	\$30.00
Mowing/Landuse (only).....	\$10.00

LICENSE FEES

Administrative Fee**.....	\$250.00
Electric Line.....	\$75.00
Water Line.....	\$75.00
Water Withdrawal.....	\$125.00
Steps and/or Walkway.....	\$75.00
Shoreline Protection.....	No Fee

Consent to Easement***.....	\$250.00
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- * Rates are subject to change.
- ** Charged any time a license is issued, renewed or modified.
- *** One time administrative fee for facilities on Corps flowage easement (below 378' msl)

HOW TO MODIFY THE PERMIT

Modifications require prior approval of the Resource Manager. Contact your Ranger for additional information.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Regulations governing the use of Lake Barkley are established in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 36, Part 327. Copies are available at the Resource Manager's Office/Visitor's Center.

WHERE TO FILE

Lake Barkley Resource Manager's Office
P.O. Box 218
Grand Rivers, KY 42045
Telephone: 270-362-4236

PROCESSING THE APPLICATION

It will take approximately **1 to 2 weeks** to evaluate and process your application. Much of this time depends on the accuracy and completeness of your application. Be sure to check all application requirements prior to mailing.

NOTE

Any type of work or installation of facilities on public property must be approved by the Resource Manager and a permit/license must be issued prior to any work being done on public property. To protect and properly manage Lake Barkley's land and water resources the following acts are **PROHIBITED**:

- Clearing of trees and under story vegetation greater than one inch base diameter.
- Burning on government property (except in the drawdown zone).
- Placement of unpermitted items (such as swings, picnic tables, benches, storage sheds, boat trailer, etc.)
- Grading/Land disturbing activities.

A violation of the Shoreline Management regulations or of the permit conditions may subject the violator to a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months or both.

FAQ's

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Is my property waterfront?
- A.

If you live downstream of Cumberland City, TN, the Corps of Engineers purchased a strip of property around the lake. This property is marked with yellow paint on trees and boundary signs. Generally, private property advertised as "waterfront" actually borders government property that is open to public use. Most activities on public property require a permit.
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What is the flowage easement?
- A.

In addition to fee land, the Corps purchased the right to flood private property up to elevation 378' msl during severe flooding.
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How does this flowage easement affect my property?
- A.

Since easement land may be flooded, habitable structures, placement of fill material or any work which would impede flood storage capacity are prohibited in this area. Written permission (Consent to Easement) may be obtained for some structures (i.e. walkways or patios). Mowing or gardening within the flowage easement does not require a permit.
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What is the lake elevation?
- A.

Normally, the lake gradually rises to summer pool (359' msl) in early spring to provide full recreation opportunities. This level may fluctuate during times of heavy rain or drought. In late summer and fall, the lake level is gradually lowered to winter pool (354' msl) to provide flood storage capacity. During severe flooding, the lake level may rise above normal levels and cover fee and easement property (referenced above).